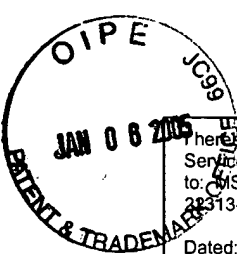


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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated July 6, 2004 (Paper No. 20040702), for which a response was due on October 6, 2004. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 3 month(s) extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to January 6, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.